

Congressman Mike Thompson, for introducing this bill, which gives us the opportunity to pay tribute to the dynamic support these crews provide to our troops. We commend these Air Force members for their commitment to the well-being of all our service men and women.

Aeromedical services are essential to the success of our Armed Forces, contributing to a survival rate of 98 percent—the lowest mortality rate of any war in U.S. history. Medical and air personnel closely tend to the urgent medical needs of our troops ensuring that they return home with their lives intact. We salute them.

RECOGNIZING RANNEY SCHOOL'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Ranney School in Tinton Falls, New Jersey as they celebrate their 50th anniversary. Ranney School continues to promote academic excellence and encourages a well-rounded education, as well as the development of the student's intellectual, personal, creative and moral promise.

Ranney School founder, Mr. Russel G. Ranney's visions have remained the foundation for the school's small class sizes, curriculum choices, student life activities and campus building expansion. Twelve years after opening the Rumson Reading Institute, Ranney School was founded with seven students and three full-time teachers. College preparation was the main focus of the curriculum. By 1963, Ranney School's increasing student body created the need for an Upper and Middle School, located at Trinity Episcopal Church in Asbury Park, New Jersey. In 1965, Ranney School proudly conferred diplomas on the first class of graduates, which also included Ranney School's first National Merit finalist. Ranney School soon moved to its current location on Hope Road in Tinton Falls, New Jersey. Renovations at the new location included work on the Annex, formerly utilized as a horse barn, and included the addition of the Searle Library and a science lab. A multi-purpose lunchroom, study hall and play area were built to further develop the theater arts program and accommodate the 375 enrolled students and 41 teachers. In 1974, Ranney School became accredited by the New Jersey Association of Independent Schools and National Association of Independent Schools. Between 1975 and 1979, the facility, currently known as the Gerhard Pavilion for Athletics, was constructed to provide a recreation center for students. Enrollment soon reached an impressive 549 students and plans for a full-service summer camp, to begin the summer of 1979, were later announced.

In April 1987, Mr. Ranney passed away, leaving behind a firmly established and well respected institution. The Commons Building, which completed its construction on April 10, 1987, served as a fitting tribute to Mr. Ranney's life and work as an innovating educator and visionary. Margaret Mahon succeeded Mr. Ranney and served as Head of School until 1993. During her tenure, Ranney School achieved a number of "firsts," includ-

ing the establishment of the Ranney School Parents Association.

In 1993, Dr. Lawrence S. Sykoff assumed the position and currently presides as Head of School. Dr. Sykoff's vision has been to create an environment for every student to include a wide range of educational opportunities. The launch of the Foundations for Learning campaign further confirmed Dr. Sykoff's commitment to the future development and enhancement of Ranney School. Academic programs have expanded while an infusion of traditions and ceremonies have been brought forward to further enhance the Ranney School curriculum. Relationships with the Parents Association and alumni have also helped to expand and provide a community building, family interaction and school pride. Today, Ranney School is home to 800 students in three divisions, which range from beginners through grade 12.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Ranney School as the students, faculty and staff celebrate its 50th anniversary. Ranney School has provided many years of unyielding commitment to academic achievement and is a tremendously valued academic institution.

SAM SACCO POST OFFICE BUILDING

SPEECH OF

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 16, 2010

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 6387, a bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 337 West Clark Street in Eureka, California, as the "Sam Sacco Post Office Building".

Sam Sacco served as Mayor of the City of Eureka from 1975–1979. He owned and operated an insurance agency in Eureka, where he served the community for 30 years—helping families and responding to every crisis with warmth and generosity that is remembered to this day. Sacco was an ardent advocate for working families and fought vigorously to make sure their interests were protected. His life's mission was to put an end to injustice and help those less fortunate. Mayor Sacco is survived by his wife, Mary Beth; sons, Jim and Sam; and daughter, Lisa. He is fondly remembered by his community.

I am honored to bring this bill to the floor and hope that Sam Sacco's legacy will live on, encouraging others to serve their community to the best of their ability.

HONORING MRS. JOYCE MADELINE BUTLER

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Mrs. Joyce Madeline Butler, a 40-year Southern California resident and a beacon of service to her community.

Mrs. Butler was born July 22, 1943 right here in Washington, DC.

After spending her childhood in DC, Mrs. Butler moved to Hemet, CA. In the late 1960s she met her husband George, and they were married in 1968. When they arrived in Chino Hills, California years later they raised a variety of animals including rabbits, pigs, cows, and chickens. Mrs. Butler joined the Future Farmers of America shortly after cementing her love of animals.

In 1995, Mrs. Butler suffered a heart attack and was given a five-way bypass procedure in January of 1996. After her recovery, she continued to serve her family and was actively involved in her community of Chino Hills.

In 2002, Mrs. Butler took part in the formation of the Los Serranos Neighborhood Group, and in 2005 founded the Support Our Area Residents, SOAR, a group formed to provide area residents with home repairs and yard maintenance. She was recognized as a Chino Hills Citizen of the Year in 2007, and in her final years volunteered for Friends of the Library and Habitat for Humanity.

Mrs. Butler was diagnosed with lung cancer in 2008, and was called home to the Lord on November 9, 2010 at the age of 67 at her home in Chino Hills. She was surrounded by friends and family who maintain she was as comfortable as could be possible.

Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that this Congress join me in honoring the life of Mrs. Joyce Butler for her years of selfless service to her community.

HONORING JACOB R. COGAN

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jacob R. Cogan. Jacob is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 249, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jacob has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Jacob has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Jacob has earned the rank of Senior Patrol Leader in his troop and the World Conservation Award. Jacob also has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Jacob planted flowering shrubs above a retaining wall and installed a park bench at Benner Park in Weston, Missouri.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jacob R. Cogan for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF JULIA JOZEPHA HADAM KUSEK

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Julia Jozepha Hadam